Vernon Area Public Library

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Library classes, performances, and events are free and open to all unless otherwise indicated.

An ASL interpreter is available for any library program; please give us advance notice to arrange.

Photos and videos may be taken during programs. If you do not wish for you or your child to be photographed, please notify staff.



Find Library Materials

Find books, e-books, audiobooks, movies, music, video games, and other materials available for checkout or download at **search.vapld.info**. Log in with your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number) to place materials on hold.



Access Your Account

Renew, check the status of items on hold, build wish lists. Use your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number) to log in at **vapld.info/account**, or through the Vernon Library app found in your device's app store, or call 847-634-3650.



Get a Library Card

At the Checkout Desk: Residents, bring a photo ID showing your current address; property owners, business owners, and temporary residents, see **vapld.info** for ID requirements. Children under age 18 must be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

Online: Visit **vapld.info/library-cards** and fill out a short form. A temporary card number will be emailed to you within 2 business days and you may begin using it right away. Stop at the Checkout Desk within 30 days to pick up your card.



Get the App

Use the Vernon Area Public Library app to store your library card, manage your account, search the catalog, place holds, access premium resources, check events, and download media for on-the-go enjoyment. Visit the app store on your device to download or go to **vernon.boopsie.com**.



Book a Study Room

The library's study rooms accommodate four to six people. Reserve a room for up to two hours by calling the day before: 224-543-1485 (adult) or 224-543-1486 (youth). Study room reservations are limited to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders only.



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Get in the garden

Now in its sixth year, the Library Garden is a cooperative effort that benefits neighbors in need. On **Saturday, June 2**, volunteer to plant vegetables under the guidance of master gardeners from the University of Illinois Extension. Children in grades K-5 and their parents have their turn at 9:30 a.m., followed by adults at 11 a.m. (The rain date is Sunday, June 3.)

Once the plants are in, the garden's success relies on patrons who volunteer a week at a time to water and tend the garden. As the organic vegetables mature, volunteers harvest, weigh, and deliver the produce to nearby Vernon Township Food Pantry. All materials are on site and instructions are provided.

Garden helpers may be individuals or small groups, ages two to 80! "Parents say it's a meaningful experience for their children," said organizer Roz Topolski. Volunteers are also invited to contribute to a gardeners' journal.

To find out more about planting, see the listings on pages 5 and 11. To volunteer to help tend the garden during the growing season, email garden@vapld.info.

Donate personal & household items to Vernon Township Food Pantry

In addition to pantry items, we're now collecting personal and household items for food pantry clients in our area. Regular-sized (as opposed to travel-sized) items are preferred. Drop your donations in the lobby collection bin during regular hours; thank you! Needed items include:

- · paper towels
- tissues
- · toilet paper
- · laundry detergent
- dish soap
- shampoo & conditioner
- bath soap
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- diapers
- · baby wipes
- · baby shampoo & wash

LIBRARY NEWS



Look for staff picks in the shelves

As you might guess, there are a lot of movie buffs and avid listeners working at the library, and when they like something they've seen or heard, they'd like to tell you about it. So when you're browsing movies, music, or audiobooks at the library, look for staff favorites; we've flagged them so they're easy to see. Check them out!

Book recommendations just for you

In a quandary about what to read next? Let the library's Book Geniuses help! Complete a brief online form (it's quick and easy), press "submit," and presto: book recommendations just for you, in your inbox within two weeks. Give it a try at vapld.info/recommendations

Searching for the Great American Read

The Great American Read is an eight-part PBS series designed to spark a national conversation about reading and the books that have inspired, moved, and shaped us. The series engages audiences with a list of 100 diverse books. Episodes feature celebrities, athletes, experts, authors, and everyday Americans advocating for their favorite book. Tune in, read books from the list, vote on your favorites, and share your personal connections to the books.

With its Tuesday, May 22, premiere on PBS stations, *The Great American Read* kicks off a summer of reading and voting. Come fall, new episodes of the series will air as the quest to find America's most beloved book moves into high gear.

Take part in the national conversation by joining our local event: On **Tuesday, July 24**, hear what local experts have to say about their picks and chime in with your own. Northwestern University English professor John Alba Cutler, Stevenson High School English instructor Robert Ward, and Vernon Area book club facilitator Judy Levin are the panelists in a moderated discussion for all book-lovers. Details on p. 13.

SCORE one-on-one business mentoring at the library

Get free expert advice to launch your business or help your small business grow: Vernon Area Public Library is now a branch of SCORE Chicago, giving you an opportunity to meet with a mentor. Whether you're developing a business plan, strategizing marketing, or planning for growth, a SCORE mentor can help. Appointments are available every month, on the third Wednesday. Sessions begin June 20.

SCORE is a nonprofit association with 50+ years' experience and a network of 13,000 mentors across the country. Volunteer mentors come from a variety of industries, include business executives and entrepreneurs, and hail from diverse backgrounds. For more information on meeting with a SCORE mentor at the library, see the listing on p. 15.

Tickets Required for Storytimes

Tickets are free and available on a first-come, first-served basis the day of the program. Attendance is limited to children within the posted age range; siblings are welcome. Every individual needs a ticket, including adults and siblings. Questions? Contact the Youth Desk at 224-543-1486 or youthdesk@vapld.info.

Rhythm & Rhyme Laptime

Reading starts at birth! In this storytime for babies, you and your little one engage together in stories and research-based activities that promote reading readiness. TICKET REQUIRED

MONDAYS, 9:30–10 AM OR 11–11:30 PM JUNE 4, 11, 18; JULY 9, 16, 23; AUGUST 6, 13, 20 AGES 0–14 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Giggles & Wiggles

Sing and jam along with your toddler in this music- and movement-centered program. Be prepared to move! TICKET REQUIRED

WEDNESDAYS, 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM JUNE 6, 13, 20; JULY 11, 18, 25; AUGUST 1, 8, 22 AGES 15–24 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Blast Off with Books

Engage in stories and learn sign language to boost reading readiness. Activities and books centered around a letter of the day help your child develop letter recognition. TICKET REQUIRED

TUESDAYS, 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM JUNE 5, 12, 19; JULY 10, 17, 24; AUGUST 7, 14, 21 AGES 2–3 WITH AN ADULT

Preschool Storytime

Children attend this storytime independently (while the accompanying adult remains in the library) to help them get ready for school. Preschoolers learn listening skills, build reading readiness, and gain confidence by attending on their own. TICKET REQUIRED

THURSDAYS, 10–10:30 AM OR 1:30–2 PM JUNE 7, 14, 21; JULY 12, 19, 26; AUGUST 2, 16, 23 AGES 3–5 WITHOUT AN ADULT

New Parents & Babies Playgroup

Meet other caregivers between our Rhythm & Rhyme storytime sessions. Swap stories and find support while the little ones play. Light refreshments. DROP IN

MONDAYS, 10–11 AM
JUNE 4, 11, 18; JULY 9, 16, 23; AUGUST 6, 13, 20
AGES 0–14 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Rompin' Stompin' Friday Dance

Bring your little dancing partner for a rocking good time! Dance and movement nurture development, social skills, and language growth in young children. REGISTER for each date separately.

FRIDAYS, 10–10:45 AM • JUNE 15, JULY 6, AUGUST 3 AGES 0–3 WITH AN ADULT

Under Five Family Time

Recover from the busy week with stories, rhymes, music and themed crafts perfect for the pre-K crowd. TICKET REQUIRED

SATURDAYS, 11–11:45 AM • JUNE 16, JULY 7, AUGUST 4 AGES 0–5 WITH AN ADULT

Lil' Block Party

Engage in educational activities and meet your neighbors at our monthly indoor/outdoor gathering. Activities include sensory play stations, sidewalk chalk, and bubbles. Meets rain or shine. Siblings welcome. **DROP IN**

FRIDAYS 9:30-11 AM • JUNE 22, JULY 20, AUGUST 10 AGES 0-4 WITH AN ADULT • LIBRARY ANNEX

A Taste of Storytime

The whole family is invited to this sampler of our weekday storytime series, plus coffee and donuts! Learn how early learning activities set the stage for your child's success. TICKET REQUIRED

SATURDAYS 10-10:30 AM • JUNE 23, JULY 21, AUGUST 11 AGES 0-5 WITH AN ADULT

KIDS | AGES 0-PRE-K

Drive-in Movie

Transform a cardboard box into a car of your own, rev your engine, and pull up to a short "drive-in" movie at the library. All supplies provided. Vroom vroom! REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 25, 10–10:45 AM OR 1:30–2:15 PM AGES 2–5 WITH AN ADULT

Tuck-Me-In Tales

Dress in pajamas, snuggle with your stuffy, and wind down from the day with books, songs, and rhymes. TICKET REQUIRED

TUESDAYS, 6:30-7 PM • JUNE 26, JULY 24, AUGUST 28 AGES 0-6 WITH AN ADULT

Kids Do Art!

Art starts young with easy-to-create, educational crafts. Browse the stations, go at your own pace, and leave inspired. Siblings welcome. DROP IN

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 9:30–11 AM TUESDAY, JULY 31, 9:30–11 AM MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 9:30–11 AM AGES 0–3 WITH AN ADULT

Little Yogis in the Garden

Combine well-being and reading readiness through stories, rhymes, and simple poses for you and your child. Please bring a yoga mat or towel. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 10–10:45 AM OR 1:30–2:15 PM SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 10–10:45 AM AGES 3–6 WITH AN ADULT LIBRARY GARDEN (RAIN LOCATION: MEETING ROOM)

Exploring the Senses

Little ones learn about and use their five senses through stories and hands-on activity stations. REGISTER

MONDAY, JULY 2, 1:30-2 PM • AGES 3-5 WITH AN ADULT

Mini Math Magicians

Explore math concepts through books, games, and a craft. REGISTER

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 11-11:30 AM • AGES 3-5 WITH AN ADULT

READING TAKES YOU EVERYWHERE

Early Learning Summer Library Club
June 1–July 31 • Ages 0–Pre-K

Even the littlest ones can participate in summer reading fun! Pick up a coloring card at the library beginning June 1 and your tot earns prizes while building essential reading readiness skills.

Kickoff: Family Maker Lab & Photo Booth

Sign up for Summer Library Club, tinker in a Family Maker Lab (see listing, p. 5), and get silly, memorable pictures taken in the photo booth (12–3 PM). DROP IN

SATURDAY, JUNE 2 • ALL AGES

Finale: Family Concert with Justin Roberts

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SATURDAY, JULY 28, 11 AM-12 PM ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT





FAMILY CONCERT: LAURA DOHERTY & THE HEARTBEATS – JUNE 9

Planting the Library Garden

Plant vegetables in the Library Garden with the help of master gardeners from the University of Illinois Extension Office. Learn about gardening basics and then dig in to plant. All produce is donated to the Vernon Township Food Pantry. Optional: Sign up for a week to help tend the garden & deliver harvested vegetables to the nearby pantry during the growing season. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 9:30–10:30 AM (RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 9:30–10:30 AM) GRADES K–5 WITH AN ADULT

Family Maker Lab

Can you construct the tallest building out of basic office supplies? Can you use foil to make a boat that carries a penny payload? Put your maker skills to the test. DROP IN ANYTIME

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 1-3 PM • ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

* Take-Along Travel Journal

Create a travel journal to capture your vacation memories. All supplies provided. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 4:30-5:15 PM • GRADES 3-5

Family Concert: Laura Doherty & the Heartbeats

A Chicago favorite on the family music scene, Laura Doherty & the Heartbeats rock your kid's world with travel-themed folkpop tunes. Ride trains, planes, cars, and bikes, and travel to new countries during this foot-stomping, hand-clapping good time. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 11 AM-12 PM • ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

Travel with Beebot

Learn basic coding as you program Beebot robots to collect nectar from each state's flower. REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 4:30-5:30 PM OR 6:30-7:30 PM GRADES K-2 WITH AN ADULT

Printmaking Workshop

Create stylized prints using linoleum blocks and ink. Taught by Chicago-based artist Teresa Magaña, whose works are inspired by Día de los Muertos and Mexican folk art. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 5-6 PM • GRADES 3-5

Passport to the World

Experience faraway lands by making crafts from Russia, China, India, and France. For every country you creatively explore, your "passport" gets stamped. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 14
GRADES K-2 WITH AN ADULT: 4-5 PM
GRADES 3-5: 7-8 PM

Moon Flight Adventure

Embark on the spellbinding true adventure of the Apollo 13 mission to the Moon and learn about the science of space travel. Bill Andrews, a docent for Adler Planetarium's Mission Moon exhibit, demonstrates the science that makes manned spaceflight possible. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 7–8 PM GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT

Summer Solstice Celebration

Engage in activities and crafts to mark the longest day of the year and the official start of summer. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 4:30-5:15 PM • GRADES K-2

KIDS | GRADES K-5

Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1486, or in person at any public service desk in the library.
Registration opens 30 days before each program.



COLD-BLOODED CREATURES: REPTILE SHOW - JULY 10

LEGO Architects

Work through a building challenge, then let your imagination run wild during free building time. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 4–5 PM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 4:30–5:30 PM GRADES K–5

Henna Tattoo Workshop

Learn about how henna is used in different cultures and the meanings of a variety of symbols as you create your own henna tattoo designs. Each participant gets a henna kit to take home. REGISTER

FRIDAY, JUNE 29, 2-3:30 PM • GRADES 3-8

Ben's STEM Bubble Show

Witness the creation of a variety of bubble sculptures and learn about the everyday science behind bubbles. Ben combines art, science, and a touch of magic in a mesmerizing educational program. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 11 AM-12 PM GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT

Stay & Play: STEM Bubble Wands

Take bubbles to the next level! Make your own super-sized or 3-D bubble wand and complete STEM challenges. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 12:30–1:30 PM GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT

Cold-Blooded Creatures: Reptile Show

Naturalist Jim Nesci explains the importance of reptiles in the natural world. Meet his cold-blooded friends including Bubba the Alligator, who has made appearances on national television. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, JULY 10, 7-8 PM • GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT

Characters of Character

Join author Joni Downey for a read-aloud of *Let's Have Manners*, a story about good manners, a hallmark of good character.

After storytime, children paint their own Manners Monkey to take home as a visual reminder. Remember to dress for a mess! REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 6:30-7:30 PM GRADES K-2 WITH AN ADULT

Kids' Nonfiction Book Club

Learn about Chicago landmarks and history while discussing What Was the Great Chicago Fire? by Janet B. Pascal. A copy of the book (yours to keep!) is reserved when you REGISTER.

THURSDAY, JULY 12, 7-8 PM • GRADES 3-5 WITH AN ADULT

Picnic with the Police

Bring your picnic lunch and blanket and settle in for stories and summer safety tips from Lincolnshire police officers. Afterward, take a look inside a police car and learn what it takes to be a cop. REGISTER

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM
ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT
LIBRARY GARDEN (RAIN LOCATION: LIBRARY ANNEX)



Sea Beast Puppet Company Presents "The Best Day Ever"

"The Best Day Ever" follows the adventures of a pair of ambitious puppeteers who get lost in the world they create. Experience the imaginative storytelling of shadow puppetry in this popular production. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JULY 14, 11 AM-12 PM • ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

Stay & Play: Puppetry Workshop

Stay after the performance of "The Best Day Ever" to create a puppet show with the help of artists from the Sea Beast Puppet Company. DROP IN

SATURDAY, JULY 14, 12:30-1:30 PM ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

READING TAKES YOU EVERYWHERE

Youth Summer Library Club • June 1-July 31 • Grades K-5



Where will reading take you this summer? Or where will you take your reading? Pick up your Summer Library Club bingo card (grades K-5) beginning June 1 and earn a reward for signing up. Then read books or complete other activities along the row of your choice to earn a gift and a scratch-off ticket for a chance to score a bonus. When you finish, receive a book of your choice and entry into a bonus raffle. Look for "Reading Takes You Everywhere" programs marked in the event listings.

Kickoff: Family Maker Lab & Photo Booth

Sign up for Summer Library Club (9 AM–5 PM), tinker in a Family Maker Lab (see listing, p. 5), and get silly, memorable pictures taken in the photo booth (12–3 PM). DROPIN

SATURDAY, JUNE 2 • ALL AGES

Finale: Family Concert with Justin Roberts

The winner of nine Parents' Choice Gold Awards, Roberts' music is hailed by the Los Angeles Times as "comic and soulful...with creative, unique twists and turns that parents will enjoy as much as the children." With 13 albums, including his newest release, the Grammy-nominated *Lemonade*, Roberts is an all-star of the indie family music scene. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JULY 28, 11 AM-12 PM • ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

Finale: Comedy Magic Show with Trent James

Celebrate Summer Library Club with Trent James' oneof-a-kind combination of mind-boggling magic and gutbusting humor. As the youngest recipient of the Milbourne Christopher Award (past winners include David Copperfield and Penn & Teller), James is quickly becoming one of the top magicians in the country. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JULY 28, 1-2 PM • GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT



FINALE: FAMILY CONCERT WITH JUSTIN ROBERTS – JULY 28

KIDS | GRADES K-5



FAMILY CONCERT: LUCKY DIAZ - AUGUST 25

Huichol Yarn Painting

Learn about the folk art of central Mexico's Huichol people while creating a yarn painting using traditional symbols and designs. Presented by Chicago-based artist Teresa Magaña, whose work is inspired by Día de los Muertos and Mexican folk art. REGISTER

MONDAY, JULY 16 GRADES K-2: 5-6 PM GRADES 3-5: 6:30-7:30 PM

Escape Room: Locked in the Airport

Team up and start an adventure! Can you solve the puzzles and riddles to "escape" the room before time runs out?

REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2-5 PM • GRADES 3-8

Paper Rockets

Make and test your own paper rocket. See how far it will fly! **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, JULY 24 GRADES K-2 WITH AN ADULT: 2-2:45 PM GRADES 3-5: 4-4:45 PM

LEGO Robotics

Build and program interactive models using the LEGO Education WeDo software in this hands-on program. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25 GRADES K-2 WITH AN ADULT: 4-5 PM GRADES 3-5: 7-8 PM

Minecraft Mania

Work with other kids to build structures and strategize to defeat zombies, spiders, and skeletons. A personal Minecraft account is not necessary. REGISTER

GRADES K-2: TUESDAY, JULY 31, 4:30-5:15 PM GRADES 3-5: TUESDAY, JULY 31, 6:30-8 PM OR MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 4-5:30 PM (CHOOSE 1 SESSION)

Learn to Play Chess

Learn about the pieces, moves, terminology, and rules of this classic game of strategy. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 1-2 PM • GRADES 3-8

Chess Strategies & Tactics

Learn chess strategies and tactics to improve your game of chess, then practice using them against an opponent. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 3-4 PM • GRADES 3-8

Taste Test Science

Put your noggin and your taste buds to the test in scientific experiments that double as snacks. Note: Foods include wheat, nuts, sugar, and dairy. REGISTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 6:30-7:15 PM • GRADES 3-5

Family Concert: Lucky Diaz

Hear the innovative indie music of Latin Grammy winner Lucky Diaz and the Family Jam Band. People Magazine calls their album *Made in LA* "#1 in coolest kids' music" and Billboard magazine declares theirs is "children's music you should know." **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 11 AM-12 PM ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

READING TAKES YOU EVERYWHERE

Teen Summer Library Club June 1–July 31 • Grades 6–12

Where will reading take you this summer? Or where will you take your reading? Pick up your Summer Library Club bingo card beginning June 1 and earn a reward for signing up. Then read books or complete other activities along the row of your choice to earn a gift and a scratch-off ticket for a chance to score a bonus. When you finish, receive a book of your choice and entry into a bonus raffle. Look for "Reading Takes You Everywhere" programs marked in the event listings.

Finale

Celebrate the end of the Teen Summer Library Club with free pizza, crafts, open video gaming, and other activities. REGISTER

MONDAY, JULY 30, 6:30-8:30 PM • GRADES 6 & UP



Teen Maker Camp

Complete a different project each week. Sign up for one or all as your schedule allows.

Stop-Motion Animated Shorts

Learn to create your own stop-motion animation. Work in groups to come up with a story, design sets, create characters, and film using an iPad. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 6-8 PM • GRADES 9-12

Printmaking Workshop

Create stylized prints using linoleum blocks and ink. Taught by Chicago-based artist Teresa Magaña, whose works are inspired by Día de los Muertos and Mexican folk art. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 6:30-7:30 PM • GRADES 6 & UP

Virtual Reality with Google Cardboard

Enter the world of virtual reality: Build a pair of Google Cardboard glasses (yours to keep) and pair them with your smartphone to play games and explore virtual environments. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 6-7:30 PM • GRADES 9-12

Vinyl Print T-Shirts

Make your own T-shirt design using Silhouette CAMEO software, desktop cutter, and heat-transfer vinyl. Make a team jersey or rep your favorite fandom. We supply all materials. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 6-8 PM • GRADES 6 & UP

Off the Page: A Teen Book Club

Add your voice to the banter as we discuss the month's book and choose the next title, all while enjoying frozen yogurt—our treat! Meet us at Menchie's in Lincolnshire. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved for you when you REGISTER.

MONDAYS, 7–8:15 PM • GRADES 8–12 JUNE 25: *SOMETHING IN BETWEEN* BY MELISSA DE LA CRUZ JULY 23: *AKATA WITCH* BY NNEDI OKORAFOR MENCHIE'S, 950-B MILWAUKEE AVE., LINCOLNSHIRE

LEGO Master Builders

Work through several challenges, then let your imagination run wild during free-building time. REGISTER

WEDNESDAYS, 7-8 PM • GRADES 6-8 JUNE 27, AUGUST 15



Create your own work of art with canvas, tape, and paint. All supplies provided. REGISTER

MONDAY, JULY 9, 6:30-8 PM • GRADES 6 & UP

Junior High Book Discussion

Join a discussion of 2019 Caudill nominee One Half from the East by Nadia Hashimi. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved when you REGISTER.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2-5 PM • GRADES 3-8

Write Away Summer Special: Zine Lab

Creators, artists, and writers: Show off your skills in zine form! This informal, small print-run medium lets you use your voice and express your artistic vision. Every participant takes home five copies of their zine. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 4:30-6:30 PM • GRADES 5-8

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 3-4 PM • GRADES 3-8

ACT or SAT Practice Exam

Ward off the jitters: Prepare for test day by taking a free practice exam. You'll receive a detailed score analysis within 10 days of testing. Presented in partnership with Huntington Learning Center of Buffalo Grove. Specify ACT or SAT when you REGISTER.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 10 AM-1:30 PM • GRADES 8-12

The Anime Zone

Watch anime, read manga, try different crafts, games, and activities, and connect with other anime and manga fans. Explore Japanese customs, culture, mythology, and all things anime. REGISTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 7-8 PM • GRADES 6-8

Games for Grown-ups

Join other tabletop gamers for an afternoon of play. Bring your own game, borrow one of ours, or jump in on a pickup game of chess. Open to adults and high school students of all skill levels. No registration required. RSVPs on Meetup appreciated: meetup.com/Games-for-Grownups-VAPLD

SUNDAYS, 1-4 PM • TEENS & ADULTS JUNE 10. JULY 15 & 22. AUGUST 19 • LIBRARY ANNEX

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SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 11 AM-12 PM (RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 11 AM-12 PM)

Movie—Darkest Hour (PG-13, CC)

Oscar winner Gary Oldman portrays British Prime Minister Winston Churchill during World War II. Popcorn included. Shown with closed captioning. REGISTER

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SUNDAYS, 1–4 PM • JUNE 10, JULY 15 & 22, AUGUST 19 LIBRARY ANNEX

English Language Learners (ELL) Conversation Group

Practice English conversation skills at the library with other English language learners. Guided discussion covers a variety of topics including American culture and idioms. REGISTER

TUESDAYS, 9:30-11:30 AM
JUNE 12 & 26, JULY 10, AUGUST 7 & 21



Lunch & Learn: "Why I Chase Lions" with PBS Host Bill Ball

Emmy award-winning PBS host Bill Ball takes you on a behind-the-scenes look at his travel series *Journeys in India* and *Journeys in Africa*. Bring your lunch starting at noon; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great lecture. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 12:30-1:30 PM

READING TAKES YOU EVERYWHERE

Adult Summer Library Club June 1-July 31 • Ages 18 & up

Where will reading take you this summer? Or where will you take your reading? Pick up your Summer Library Club bingo card beginning June 1. Then read 5 books or complete other activities along the row of your choice to earn a gift. Look for "Reading Takes You Everywhere" programs marked in the event listings.

Kickoff: World Music Concert with Lamajamal

An ensemble without borders, Lamajamal performs classical, folk, and sacred music from around the world, exploring the commonalities among styles, cultures, and religions to foster a sense of global citizenry. REGISTER

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 1-2 PM



ADULTS



VAGABONDING AROUND THE WORLD - JUNE 26

Writer's Support Group

This informal group is a great way to share work, meet fellow writers, get constructive feedback, and discuss the publishing business. All writers welcome. RSVPs appreciated on Meetup: meetup.com/writers-support-group-Lincolnshire

WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-8:45 PM • JUNE 13, JULY 11, AUGUST 8

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

The Women in the Castle by Jessica Shattuck. Set at the end of World War II, in a crumbling Bavarian castle that once hosted German high society, a powerful story of three widows whose lives become intertwined. Copies available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders only beginning May 10. Ask at the Adult Desk. Registration is recommended.

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 10-11:30 AM

Must-Read Nonfiction Book Discussion

Nomadland by Jessica Bruder. A chronicle of older Americans, invisible casualties of the Great Recession, who have taken to the road by the tens of thousands, forming a growing community of migrant laborers. Copies are available at the Adult Desk. REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 6:30-7:30 PM

Paper Cut Folk Art Workshop

Chicago artist Corrine Dean guides you in creating a work of art using paper cutting. Learn about the history of this technique and the contemporary artists who use it. Bring an X-Acto knife if you have one. REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 7-8:30 PM

Senior Series: A Cole Porter Musical Comedy Tour of Paris

Join acclaimed musical theater historian Charles Troy on a journey through Cole Porter's career and the city that inspired some of his greatest works including "I Love Paris." REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 1-2 PM

Thirsty Thursdays: Books on Tap

In your 20s or 30s and thirsting for intelligent conversation with excellent people? Meet us at the Chatter Box for a book discussion over adult beverages and delicious food. Details and registration on Meetup: bit.ly/tt-bot

THURSDAYS, 6-8:30 PM • AGES 21+
JUNE 21, JULY 19, AUGUST 16
THE CHATTER BOX, 330 OLD MCHENRY RD., LONG GROVE

Book Club Bash

Our annual evening event for enthusiastic readers features book recommendations from the Good Book Fairy and Random House, trivia, prizes, and refreshments. REGISTER

FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 7-8:30 PM (AFTER HOURS)

Movie—Singin' in the Rain (G, CC)

Classic musical comedy with Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds. Shown with closed captioning. Popcorn included. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2-3:45 PM

Y Vagabonding Around the World

If you think world travel isn't possible, Brian Michalski explains how to make it real. During a solo backpacking journey, he visited Southeast Asia, Australia, India, and Cuba. Learn about budgets, travel apps, culture shock, hostel life, volunteering, and visas. See also: Travel Hacking, p. 17. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 7-8 PM

Getting Off the Treadmill: Escaping the Race to Nowhere

How do we effectively deal with the many demands of a 24/7 world? Author, life coach, business founder, and former CEO Michael Lauesen explains how to reduce stress, improve productivity at work and home, and create meaningful memories. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 7-8 PM

Movie—Thor: Ragnarok (PG-13, CC)

Thor (Chris Hemsworth) races against time to escape imprisonment on a distant planet and save his homeland. Shown with closed captioning. Popcorn included. REGISTER

FRIDAY, JULY 6, 2-4:15 PM



Lunch & Learn: Mount Rushmore, the Greatest Achievement of Gutzon Borglum

Artist Jim Weren highlights American sculptor Gutzon Borglum's struggles, controversies, and achievements carving the likenesses of four presidents into the rock of South Dakota's Black Hills. Bring your lunch starting at noon; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great lecture. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 12:30-1:30 PM

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

National Book Award finalist *The Leavers* by Lisa Ko. Set in New York and China, the story of how one boy comes into his own when everything he loves is taken away. Copies available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders only beginning June 14. Ask at the Adult Desk. Registration is recommended.

THURSDAY, JULY 12, 10-11:30 AM

Foreign Policy Book Discussion with Gary Midkiff

Dereliction of Duty by H. R. McMaster. A stunning analysis of the controversy surrounding U.S. involvement in Vietnam. Copies are available beginning June 1. Ask at the Adult Desk. REGISTER

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 1-3 PM

Illinois' Top Ten Defining Moments

Over the past 200 years, many fascinating events have shaped Illinois and influenced national history. Professor Gary Midkiff focuses on ten pivotal happenings from across the state in this Illinois Bicentennial program. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 7-8:30 PM

Senior Series: Leslie Goddard Portrays Eleanor Roosevelt

Actress and scholar Leslie Goddard draws from Roosevelt's letters and diaries in a performance that captures this passionate American stateswoman. Co-sponsored by the Buffalo Grove Park District. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 1-2 PM

The U-2 Incident: A Son's Search for the Truth with Gary Powers, Jr.

Francis Gary Powers, Jr., son of the famous American pilot whose spy plane was shot down in Soviet airspace causing the 1960 U-2 incident, discusses the impact of the Cold War, the misinformation surrounding his father's capture, and his efforts to honor Cold War veterans and history. Co-sponsored by Lincolnshire Morning Star Rotary. REGISTER

FRIDAY, JULY 20, 7-8 PM (AFTER HOURS)

Movie—The Shape of Water (R, CC)

Oscar winner for best picture. Set during the Cold War, a lonely janitor Elisa (Sally Hawkins) working in a top-secret government research laboratory discovers a classified experiment. Shown with closed captioning. Popcorn included. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JULY 21, 2-4 PM

Searching for the Great American Read

Hear from our panel of experts as they chime in on the national conversation launched by the PBS series *Great*American Read. Northwestern University English professor
John Alba Cutler, Stevenson High School English instructor
Robert Ward, and Vernon Area book club facilitator Judy Levin are panelists in a moderated discussion for all book-lovers.

REGISTER

TUESDAY, JULY 24, 7-8 PM





Novel Night Book Discussion

Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton. After the death of her grandmother, a Cuban-American woman travels to Havana, where she discovers the roots of her identity and unearths a family secret. Book discussion copies are available for extended checkout; ask at the Adult Desk. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JULY 31, 7-8 PM

Lunch & Learn: Love Letters in Music

Chicago Symphony Orchestra musicologist Laura Sauer explores the romantic and sometimes scandalous stories behind the works classical music's greatest composers, including Bach and Beethoven, wrote for the objects of their affection. Bring your lunch starting at noon; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great lecture. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 12:30-1:30 PM

Movie—The Greatest Showman (PG, CC)

P. T. Barnum (Hugh Jackman) is brought to life in an original musical. Closed-captioning. Popcorn included. REGISTER

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2-3:45 PM

Snacks & Facts Trivia Night

Wind down from your day with good competition and refreshments at the library. Sign up individually or in teams up to four people to test your knowledge of world trivia. Prizes awarded. Note new location: the library's Meeting Room. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 7-8:30 PM • AGES 21+

Preschool Teacher Workshop with Musician Jim Gill

Popular musician and child development expert Jim Gill leads this workshop for early childhood educators. Expand your repertoire of songs and activities to reinvigorate your classroom with the power of musical play. Teachers receive two professional development credits. Free and open to all preschool teachers. REGISTER beginning July 10.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 9:30 AM-12 PM

Jewelry Workshop: Crochet a Wire Necklace

Create a necklace or bracelet using crochet wire and beads. Simple tools and materials supplied. Basic crochet skills preferred. Presented by Shari Pontillo of Twisted Fiber Studio. REGISTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 7-8:30 PM

Movie—Ferdinand (PG, CC)

An animated adventure about a bull with a big heart. Shown with closed captioning. Popcorn included. REGISTER

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 2-4 PM

Must-Read Nonfiction Book Discussion

American Fire by Monica Hesse is one of NPR's Best Books of 2017 and a New York Times Book Review Notable Book of the Year. Chronicling a series of mysterious arson fires in rural Accomack County, Virginia, Hesse depicts "a community that is struggling economically in present-day America, but is rich in its human connections." Copies available at the Adult Desk. REGISTER

MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 6:30-7:30 PM

English as a Second Language (ESL) Class Registration

Informational meeting, registration, and placement testing for free ESL classes at the library, offered in partnership with Mundelein School District 120 Adult Education. Classes begin Friday, September 7, and meet Wednesdays and Fridays 9:15 AM-12 PM during the school year.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 9:15 AM-12 PM: PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED STUDENTS ONLY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 9:15 AM-12 PM: NEW & PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED STUDENTS

Senior Series: Cool Jazz on a Hot Afternoon

Enjoy songs of summer with renowned jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis and guitarist Andy Brown. You'll hear favorites like "Things We Did Last Summer," "Too Darn Hot," and "Once Upon a Summertime." REGISTER

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1-2 PM



Business Hub

Transition a Good Idea into a Great Business

Learn to create a compelling business plan with Business Model Canvas. Offered in partnership with SCORE Chicago. REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 7-8 PM

SCORE One-on-One Business Mentoring

Get free expert advice to launch your business or help your small business grow: Vernon Area Public Library is now a branch of SCORE Chicago, giving local business people an opportunity to meet with experienced mentors each month. Make your appointment at vapld.info/score

WEDNESDAYS, 1-HOUR APPOINTMENTS BETWEEN 11 AM & 2 PM JUNE 20, JULY 18, AUGUST 15

Starting a Small Business in Illinois

Representatives from the Illinois Small Business Development Center give you a realistic view of what it takes to launch a business and explain what resources are available to support your new venture. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 7-8 PM

Getting Off the Treadmill: Escaping the Race to Nowhere

How do we effectively deal with the many demands of a 24/7 world? Author, life coach, business founder, and former CEO Michael Lauesen explains how to reduce stress, improve productivity at work and home, and create meaningful memories. Co-sponsored by Community Parent Network. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 7-8 PM

Harnessing Instagram as a Marketing Tool

Learn practical tips for promoting your business and your brand with Instagram. Bring your lunch; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great learning opportunity. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 12:30-1:30 PM

Intro to Grant Funding & Research

Learn to fund your passion project or propel your nonprofit with tools in the library's newest resource, Foundation Directory Online. REGISTER

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 11 AM-12 PM
OR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 7-8 PM

ADULTS | COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

Multimedia

Library Media Lab: Digitize Your Photos & Videos

Learn about digital preservation in the library's Media Lab. We'll show you how easy it is to convert VHS and DVD to digital and scan photos, slides, and negatives. REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2–3:30 PM FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 10–11:30 AM WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 10–11:30 AM WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 10–11:30 AM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 10–11:30 AM

Silhouette CAMEO

The library's new Silhouette CAMEO is a programmable cutting machine. Learn how to use it and what you can create in one or all of these introductory classes.

Glass Etching

Design and create an adhesive stencil then use it to etch glassware. Bring your own glassware, one piece per person. REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 25, 7-8:30 PM

Paper Lanterns

Make a paper lantern for all occasions. REGISTER

MONDAY, JULY 30, 7-8:30 PM

Create a Shadow Box

Create a layered paper shadow box. REGISTER

MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 7-8:30 PM

Intro to 3D Printing

Learn about the library's new Lulzbot Taz 6 and Mini 3D printers. We'll show you websites offering ready-to-print files and explain how to create your own custom designs using Tinkercad in this hands-on class. Prerequisites: Basic computer skills and a Vernon Area Library card. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 7-8:30 PM TUESDAY, JULY 10, 7-8:30 PM

Photoshop Elements: Photo Restoration

Learn to use Photoshop Elements to remove dust and scratches, correct exposure problems, and enhance your pictures. Bring a flash drive of your digitized photos. REGISTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 7-8:30 PM

Microsoft Applications

Windows 10

Learn to navigate the desktop, start menu, Cortana virtual assistant, Edge web browser, and begin to personalize your experience in this hands-on class. REGISTER

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 7-8:30 PM

Intermediate Windows 10

Learn to create a desktop icon, access and adjust settings, install and uninstall programs, and helpful tips and tricks. Prerequisite: Windows Basics. REGISTER

MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 7-8:30 PM

Computers & Coffee

Join us for a cup of coffee and instruction followed by hands-on practice with the help of a technology volunteer. The pace is relaxed, with plenty of time for your technology questions.

Uber, Lyft & GoGoGrandparent

Learn to use ride-sharing apps to get you where you need to go. Bring your email address and password. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 11 AM-12:30 PM

Payment Apps

Explore payment apps that free up space in your wallet, track your expenses, and offer a secure method of paying for everyday expenses like groceries. Bring your email address and password. REGISTER

MONDAY, JULY 9, 11 AM-12:30 PM

Special Topics

Nerds with Beer

Part philosophy, part tech talk, this monthly meet-up for 20and 30-somethings is loosely centered on tech and its role in our lives. RSVP: meetup.com/Nerds-with-Beer

TUESDAYS 7-8:30 PM • AGES 21+ JUNE 5: CRYPTOCURRENCY HALF DAY BREWING, 200 VILLAGE GREEN, LINCOLNSHIRE

AUGUST 7: THE SCIENCE OF BREWING TIGHTHEAD BREWING COMPANY, 161 N. ARCHER AVE., MUNDELEIN

Apple Help

Bring your MacBook, iPhone, or iPad (no iMacs, please!) and we'll answer any questions you have about your Apple products including settings, personalization, and applications. REGISTER

SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 10:30 AM-12 PM

Twitter Basics

Explore this social networking platform that allows you to communicate in up to 280 characters, plus attach photos and links. Learn what a #hashtag means, tag your friends in a post, or catch the news before it's printed. Prerequisites: Twitter account or see an Instruction & Technology Librarian prior to class. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 7-8:30 PM

Websites with Weebly

Dive in to website creation with Weebly, a free online publishing tool. Select a template, create simple content, and add foundational design to your new site. Prerequisites: Internet experience and email account. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 7-8:30 PM

Travel Hacking

Learn how travel bloggers voyage endlessly without running out of money. This lecture-style class highlights useful websites, blogs, and apps. Prerequisites: Basic computer and internet navigation skills. See also: Vagabonding Around the World, p. 12. REGISTER

TUESDAY, JULY 24, 7-8:30 PM

Prezi for Presentations

Learn to use Prezi, cloud-based presentation software that allows you to visually engage your audience. REGISTER

THURSDAY, JULY 26, 7-8:30 PM

Learn to Code: HTML & CSS Boot Camp

HTML (hypertext markup language) and CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) are essential tools for creating web pages and applications. Learn to use them in this four-session boot camp. The class works together, learning from each other. Prerequisite: Basic computer skills. REGISTER

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, 7–8:30 PM AUGUST 14, 16, 21 & 23 (MUST ATTEND ALL FOUR SESSIONS)

Tech questions? We can help

One-on-One Help

Book a 45-minute appointment with a librarian to get personal technology help—with the library's website, catalog, or premium resources; downloading e-books, audiobooks, magazines, movies, or music; computer software; or the Media Lab. A reservation and current Vernon Area Public Library card are required. To request an appointment (up to 2 per month), call 224-543-1485 or fill out the form online at **vapld.info/devicehelp**.

Tech Wednesday

No reservation required; just drop in with your tech questions and device setup needs. Open session very third Wednesday of the month. Stop in at the Adult Desk.

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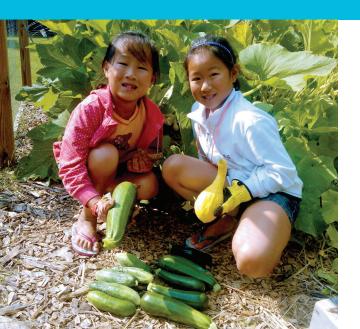
Closings

May 27–28 Memorial Day
June 1 Opening at 1 PM
July 4 Independence Day

O Location & Contact

300 Olde Half Day Rd www.vapld.info Lincolnshire, IL 60069 847-634-3650





Library Garden

Volunteer to plant or tend & harvest vegetables this summer! All produce benefits the Vernon Township Food Pantry. Info on p. 1.